

House Resolution 1034

By: Representatives Murphy of the 120th, Burkhalter of the 50th, Hembree of the 67th, Porter of the 143rd, Williams of the 165th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) to implement a playoff system
2 to determine a national champion in the sport of football; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the 2007 college football season was one of the most memorable of all times
4 and involved outstanding plays, players, and thrilling games; and

5 WHEREAS, one of the goals of every football team going into a new season is to eventually
6 be crowned the national champion and earn the admiration and respect of the whole country;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, the greatest disappointment of the 2007 college football season was the
9 dysfunctional system, known as the Bowl Championship Series or BCS, the NCAA has
10 implemented in order to determine a national champion; and

11 WHEREAS, the teams chosen to play in the various BCS bowl games are selected through
12 mathematical computations, politics, and corporate and television influences that rarely relate
13 to determining the best football team on the field; and

14 WHEREAS, the only sensible way to determine a national champion in any sport is to
15 develop a playoff system that allows teams to meet on the field; and

16 WHEREAS, the fans of college football deserve a true national champion to be crowned
17 after winning the title on the field of play and not in a popularity poll.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
19 the members of this body strongly urge the NCAA to adopt a playoff system to determine
20 the national champion in college football.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the National Collegiate
- 3 Athletic Association.